A GROUND SWELL 'IN OLD VIRGINIA

have been successful and during the whole year only one merciant made an assignment, and his creditors started him up again. When all the railroads of the country were cutting down expenses during the summer, work was slack in he hig stops of the Norfolk & Wostern, but during the past two months the pay rolls have been the largest in the history of the shops. That company alone has work on hand here that will lost about \$150,000. The new passenger 'apot which was started three months to, will cost \$110,000, and will be the adsencest depot in the state. They il also expend a large sum building areads as an approach to the depot I reconstruction of the tracks and ds. During the year a new rounding with built in the west end, and k has commenced on another maching to gost \$25,000. During the year belt line was completed. Next hig an addition will be built to the te building.

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The city of Ronnoke is spending \$23,on what is known as the Campbell
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ered with wood, which has rotted.
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hell in favor of issuing bonds for
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There Never Was Such an Auspicieus Time

to enter the business of life assurance as now. It was never so proposorous, never so popular.

Chairs of insurance are being established in various universities, many college men are entering the business immediately after graduating; wealthy men are securing assurance in large amounts; and life assurance is large amounts; and life assurance is regarded as a necessity, by all.

The man or woman, who takes advantage of this era of prosperity and starts in the business of life assurance now, is going to receive pecuniary returns commonsurate with the efforts put forth.

This will be especially the case if working under the renewal contract of the Equitable, which not only provides immediate returns, but builds up an income for future years.

years.

Moil or women of energy and character who wish to increase their incomes, and who are willing to tike up life assurance as their life work, are invited to apply or write to

H. SWINEFORD & SON.

MONTEREY.

No Marked Development, But General Signs of Prosperity.

WEST POINT.

Took Lesson From the Fire and Is Building for the Future.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WEST POINT, VA., Dec. 31.—The year
1904 has been one of unprecedented progress, in West Point. No time was lost
after the fire of 1903 to replace old buildings with substantial brick structures.
This renewed confidence in the town, and
improvements went right on, and are still
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GOWAN'S PNEUMONIA CURE

is the only known specific for this fearful disease. It is applied externally, gives immediate relief, allays fever, scatters congestion and effects quick and permanent cure. Hungreds of people have yountarily testified to its wonderful effectiveness where all other remedies failed, 'It' value cannot be measured in money.

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Mr. W.T. Cerrer, Travelling Audior So. Rv., says: "I con-sider Govan's Preun ania Cure one of mackind's greatest bies-ings. My 17-year-old son was extremely ill with Pneumonia's your Cure was used and in 3 despail fever had left; on the fifth day he wanted to get out of bod."

out this section, which are selling well, and farmers are able to provide fully for present needs, and at the same time reserve a surplips for farming implements, fertilizers, etc., for next year's crops. A brisk trade is being carried on by the inerchants all of whom have been compelled to employ extra then to supply the demands of the holiday trade. The closing of the large general store, conducted for many years at Kent's Store by the firm G. M. Kent's Co., has thrown upon the merchants here a large amount of trade in country produce, which has proved quite profitable.

The large flour mill, owned and operated by Charles Willard & Son, has turned out a large quantity of high-grade flour made from the crops of wheat harvested in bis section. Willard & Son also have in operation a hard-wood handle factory, which manufactures implement handles of various kinds from hickory cut from the forests in this part of the county.

The Bank of Columbia has had a prosperous year, in the carry autumn a branch bank was established at Carters-ville.

The Smither property, once known as

wille. The Smither property, once known as the old Fowles home, has been leased recently by Isaac Seay, and under his management is conducted the Commercial Tiotel.

A GREAT INDUSTRY.

New Slate Quarries Being Opened in Buckingham on Large Scale

tomsc and Fredericksburg raffroad is now almost an assured fact, which is expected to be completed to Culpeper Courthouse within twelve months.

About five miles from town, and near Fint Hill, in this county, there is said to be abundant indications of copper, and several parties have sold options on their mineral right for good sums.

Mr. Harrie Smoot, of Sperryville, owns

Carried On.

WARM SPRINGS, VA., Dec. 31.—The year 1901, marks one of prosperity and much good for the people of Bath county. The general mannelal independence of the private clizen is evidence enough that the people as a whole have prospered. The principle new business is lumber, in every little valley of Bath county nearly, is to be heard the sound of the steam whistle from the saw-mill and from Hot Springs, Va., for the past year there has been a vast quantity of railread imber and all grades of lumber shipped. A large roller mill has been established here during the past year by McChitic & Company, also several general mercantile siores which have done a flourishing business.

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The City of Williamsburg. (Special to The Times, Disputch.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., Dec. 21.—The
year 1991, now nearing its end, has been

The old year's best heritage

one which proves more popular with the passing of time, is

"OLD JOE

The whiskey of preference.

"OLD JOE" is getting "better and better"-"older and older" all the time. The same uniform, high quality will be maintained, thus assuring a smooth, mellow article of rare merit. More than 1,500,000 bottles were required to supply the demand during the past year, a record not approached by any other brand. Insist upon "OLD JOE" and avoid disappointment. Sold by good dealers every-where. Every bottle has a red seal over cork.

SOLE PROPRIETORS.

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this company.

During the past year the population of the place has ma erially increased. Many anbatantial citizens have settled here, and are now a part of the permanent population. Houses are going up all the time, and business is branching out.

Soon it is the purpose of the people to build a first-class hotel and livery, establish a laundry bakery, and such other accessories of a busy town.

The other towns in the country on this line of railroads have shown steady advancement; and business has been good. The town of White Hall, now known as billine of railroads have shown is safe and steady.

RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY.

Looks for a Railroad During the New Year to Culpeper.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, VA., Dec. 31.—The past year, has been a part of the past year, and the growth is safe and steady.

Rappathannock country on this lington, the county seat of Rappahannock seconty, has a population of about five hundred, and is located in a grazing and fruit growing section, the apple orchard of Mr. F. D. Wood, which is in sight of lown, having received the medal at the Parls Exposition for the finest specimens of apples.

There is a most prosperous national bank as well as a private one in town.

The building of the Rappahannock, Potenica and Fredericksburg railroad is now almost an assured fact, which is expected to be completed to Culpeper Courthouse within twelve months,

About five miles from town, and near-Mile Hill, in this county, there is said

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Positively cured by those Little Pills.
They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, in digestion and Too Heart; Enting. A perfect remedy for Dizzhess, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORFID LIVER, They regulate the Bowels.

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Fac-Simile Signature

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA. Dec. SI.—
Fredericksburg has made wonderful progress during the year just of principal streets have been paved in progress during the year just of principal streets have been paved in progress of the streets have been paved in progressive three improvements and in other parts of the city old streets and handsome granouthic line of these improvements and in other parts of the city old street have been parts of the city old street have from the parts of the city old street have from the parts of the city old street have from have been parts of the city old street have from have been repaired and entered new from have been repaired and entered new from have been established and others have been been established and others have been built and others are now in course of ersection. Building lots are in demand and command big prices. The merchants have done a thriving business, new ones have been no fallures. Property has greatly enhanced in value since the new farmal have done a thriving business, and there have been conditions. It is contemplated to enlarge the water works and gass works of the city, the growing population making this imperative.

Menty new people have moved here during the past year, and the population has largely increased. There are no vacant houses here, and there as a strong demand for more dwellings. The water works have changed owners appear to make year, and the new owners appear to make year, and the population has largely increased. There are no vacant houses here, and there as a strong demand for more dwellings. The water works have changed owners by since last year, and the new owners appeat to make year, and the population has largely increased. There are no vacant houses here, in the population has largely increased. There are no vacant house here, and the population has largely increased. There are no vacant house here, and the population has largely increased. There are no

VIRGILINA. Remarkable Growth of Business and Tobacco Sales.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch)
VIRGILINA, VA., Dec. 31.—Virgin the border of Virginia and North
line, from a blending of which it is name, winds up the year 1904
rosperous and happy condition. With the copper mines have own temporarily on account of the rice of copper, most of them expec ind are reporting a spi

and are reporting a spientimly paying, yield.

The season of 1903-1904 was the best that the tobacco market had known up to that time, but the sales of the 1904-190 terp are a record breaker up to now and the warehousemen are satisfied that they will sell two million pounds this season, an increase of fifty per cent.

Some of the leading business men last fail formed the Virgilina Tobacco Company, which has proven a great help to the market.

The statements of the Bank of Virgilina show a continued increase of deposits.

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The fact that nearly every store in The fact that nearly every store in town during the year either was entarged or had some storage warehouses added to them, shows a prosperous busadded to them, shows a prosperous busadded to them.

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The Virgilina Telephone Company, composed altogether of local cupital, extended its lines to South Boston, Va., and is now constructing a five-mile line to the Talley Hill gold mines, which will give them about fitty miles of line.

The shipments of lumber and cord wood were larger during the year than ever before, as high as 100,000 feet having been louded in one day.

The Southern Railway built a nice new depot and extended their side tracks, Mir. W. M. Pannebaker, the "grandfather" of the town, donating the right of way,

YORKTOWN.

Small Improvement in Town, But Prosperity in County.

But Prosperity in County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

YORKTOWN, VA., Dec. 31.—The people of Yorktown and York county have been very successful during the past year, and have laid their plans for the future with renewed confidence. There will be a much larger crop of Irish potatoes and peanuts planted in 1905 than the present year. The farmers have learned that they can save money now out of crops they formerly lost money on.

The oyster industry is a great success in York, The oyster planters are the wealthlest men in York county. Men start in the oyster business to-day in a small way and ten years hence he is a man of large means.

The town people have done little hullding, but the country people are erecting some very fine modern buildings which are a visible proof of their prosperity. In the village of Grafton, about three miles from here, this A. O. U. W., the Jr. Order American Mechanics, and the Improved Order of Red Men have erected a fine hall. It has been stated that this is the finest county lodge room on the Peninsula.

The people of this town are still looking

Breuklood the Peninsula. The people of this town are still looking

forward for the electric car line from Hampton to this town, which has been so often talked about. The question is often asked. Will it pay? This question could not be answered by the people of the town, because they are not in the business.

SCOTTSVILLE, VA.

Prosperous Year and Outlook for Greater Business Success.

for Greater Business Success.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SCOTTSVILLIE, VA., Dec. 31.—The business of Scottsville for 1904 has been up to the standard. Farmers have had a prosperous year and business houses have been fairly successful.

The town has nine general merchandise stores, a hotel, two flourishing banks, a weekly newspaper, a well kept livery, a drug store, a shoe store and two dental establishments.

Very near the village is located a cannery which was started this year, and the management is more than pleased with its work and sales for 1904. Mr. Robert Durrett, the manager, sold his entire output for 1904, and is so much ancouraged that he will double the capacity of the industry for 1905. The prospects for the coming year are bright. A large flouring mill will be begun as soon as the weather breaks, and an extract factory may possibly be put in operation.

The town will, on Monday, December 26th, open a disponsary, which will be under the jurisdiction of the town council. From this dispensary there will probably be a considerable revenue, which will be used in improving the streets and in building a bridge across the Junes at this point, thus connecting Buckingham and Albemaric and bringing trade from Buckingham to this place.

MANASSAS.

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Unprecedented Prosperity Has Visited This Historic Town.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

A.NASAS, VA., Dec. 31.—The Times-Dispatch: Merchants and business men in general of Manassas are agreed that the year 100th has been a bunnet business year for the town. The work of double tracking the line of the Southern Rull-way, through the county and the holding of the army manouvers here last fall have nut in circulation in and around Manassas thousands and thousands of dollars, which have made their inducate following which and professions.

The recent snows have done crops and

houses have been creeted within the past year, and there is not now an inhabitable house in the town that is vacant. Mr. I. E. Cannon, a contractor and builder, has contracts for five dwellings to be completed by the first of May. So great

pany has assets exceeding \$725,000, and surplus to policy holders of \$280,000. The Virginia State is owned by home people, managed by home people, omploys home people, spends its money with home people, and should be patronized by home people.—T. L. Alfriend & Son, Agents. The Virginia State Insurance Com-

"Charity begins at home." So, also, should the patronage of home people be given home institutions. The Virginia State should not be forgotten in this connection .- W. W. Hardwicke, Agent,

CLINTWOOD.

1905

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The Most Beautiful and Artistic in the City.

Send Your Friends One For New Year! HAPPY NEW YEAR 10 ALL. J. E. Quarles

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WINCHESTER, VA.

Demand for Skilled Labor Great and Much Building Going on.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., Dec. 31.—The past year in Winchester has been a good one for the artisan, and there has been a great demand for skilled labor, as ovidenced by the fact that the Lewis Jones Knitting, Mills, being unable to secure the requisite number of operatives here, were compelled to establish a branch at Portsmouth, Va. All the trades have been kept comfortably busy, with the result that deposits in the local savings banks have increased and merchants are gratified with the amount of business they have done during the year.

There has been but one business failure, the Eddy Press, and that was due to the firm being unable to collect outstanding accounts, and this failure will doubtless be so adjusted early this month that the firm will start anew in a more flourishing manner. Many new residences have been erected, chiefly for renting, and so steady has been the demand for houses that there are very few wecant ones in town.

lost summer at a loss of some \$40,000. These have risen from the ashes very much improved and with increased facilities, numerous smaller buildings having been added. The outlook for the incoming year is decidedly encouraging. Many new residences are contemplated and several imposing structures will be completed. This list includes a Sunday school room for the Southern Methodist Church, which will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

It was thought the new Handley Public Library, to cost \$100,000, would be started this year, but the chances are that it will be delayed until 1906. Then there is the promise of \$50,000 government building by Representative Hay. Plans for the Washington and Winchester Electric Line will also come to a head in 1905.

Wonderful Progress for an Isolated Little Town.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

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(CIINTWOOD, DICKENSON COUNTY, VA., Dec. 31.—Cilntwood has experienced a most prosperous year, during 1904, every 190,000 has been expended in new buildings, the largest amount ever done in the town in one year. A new modern freproof fail was built at a cost of \$10,000, and experience at a cost of \$10,000, and several other residences and cottagen, in all costing over ten thousand. This is a fair showing for a town of only about 400 people, and 20 miles from the nearest railroad.

The town has one bank with some one hundred thousand dollars on deposit, has three large general stores, carrying a combined stock of from \$25,000 to \$30,000. The college here had an enrollment of over 300 last year, there being a large number of bearding students. One weekly newspaper, The Clintwood Times, which started during the year and is doing well. It is a common remark for visitors that there is no town in the State of 1,000 inhabitants or less with as nice public buildings, with as up-to-date business houses, and as many handsome residences as this town.

The citizens of the town are considering the question of making up a joint stock company and purchasing and establishing an ice plant early in the spring to furnish to for the town and surrounding country.

The Clintwood Bank is getting up plans for a bank and omce building, to be built this year. This building will likely cost some \$5,000 to \$10,000, Mr. J. K. Damon

Mr. J. W. Hollingsworth, a well known merchant of Louisburg, N. C., says: Gowan's Pneumonia Cure sayed the life of one member of my family and cured another of Pneumonia."

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